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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition is a long-standing American tradition, making services available for more people. We have had service for a very long time from a local provider at a very affordable price. Being a senior disabled woman who lives on a budget of less than \$800/mo., having a reliable broadband connection that I can afford is of ultimate importance.

Also, if it weren't for competition in telephone service, which I also get from my broadband provider, I would not be able to afford to talk with my sister who lives 2000 miles away for more than a few minutes a month.

Please do not rob us of this vital connection.

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